

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
TRANSMITTAL LETTER

In re Application of: : Docket: ACM 2975 P1US
Conradus H. J. Theeuwen, et al. :
Serial No.: 10/537,199 : Group Art Unit: 1794
Filing Date: June 2, 2005 : Examiner: Carolyn A. Paden
For: USE OF CARBOXYMETHYL CELLULOSE : Confirmation Number: 3168
(CMC) IN FRUIT-BASED PRODUCTS :

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

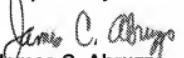
Transmitted herewith is a responsive document(s) for this application.

TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND REPLY BRIEF

Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 of:
 One Month (\$130.00) Two Months (\$ 490.00)
 Three Months (\$1110.00) Four Months (\$1730.00)

The total fee believed due is \$ 0.00. Please charge this amount and any other fees, which may be due (including filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17) to Deposit Account No. 01-1350. If an extension of time is required but has not been requested above, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time sufficient for the attached document(s) to be timely.

Respectfully submitted,


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